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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Examiner	Art Unit	
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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment received 11 May 05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 30.
3. ☐ The drawings filed on _____ are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☒ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment ~~or in the Office action of~~
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).**
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

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1. Upon further review, claim 30 is drawn to the elected invention. Roller 234 is disclosed as being horizontally movable. Thus, the advisory action mailed 13 July 05 is hereby withdrawn and the amendment received 11 May 05 has been entered. Since the final rejection mailed 18 January 05 did not optimally reject claim 30, this final rejection is withdrawn and prosecution was briefly re-opened, the result of which is the Examiner's Amendment below to place the case in condition for allowance.

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with John Kramer on 19 July 05.

The application has been amended as follows:

At the end of claim 30, before the period, the following has been inserted; --, an additional turnbar roller smaller in diameter than the first turnbar roller and associated with a third ribbon created at said slitting station, and take up rollers associated with said third ribbon for substantially duplicating the path length of the third ribbon relative to the first and second ribbons--.

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3. Applicant has informally submitted proposed replacements drawings on 26 February 04. The content of these is acceptable, and they must be formally drawn and submitted.

4. Made of record but not making Applicant's invention obvious is a patent publication to Michalik showing a horizontally adjustable registration roller (18).

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ken Peterson whose telephone number is 571-272-4512. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday thru Thursday between 7:30am and 5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Allan Shoap can be reached at 571-272-4514. In lieu of mailing, Applicants are encouraged to fax responses to 571-273-8300.

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